



# CITY OF MISHAWAKA



Police Department  
200 North Church Street  
Mishawaka, IN 46544

David A. Wood, Mayor  
Kenneth L. Witkowski, Chief

April 9, 2013

David A. Wood  
Board of Public Works and Safety  
City Hall - 600 East Third Street  
Mishawaka, Indiana 46544

Dear Honorable Mayor Wood and Board Members:

On behalf on my Administration and the Mishawaka Police Department we are proud and honored to award Cpl. Jeremy Tyler "Officer of the Year" for 2012.

Cpl. Tyler has been assigned to the Uniform Division on the Midnight Shift for the past two years. Previously he worked as a detective in the Investigative Division for three years.

2012 was a great year for Cpl. Tyler. He received not only one, but two "Officer of the Quarter" awards.

For the Officer of the Second Quarter award, Cpl Tyler was recognized for his perceptiveness and quick thinking that lead to the apprehension of a violent felon. The felon had committed an Armed Robbery on June 14, 2012. While heading to the area of the Armed Robbery, Cpl. Tyler observed the suspect acting suspicious in a passing vehicle. Cpl. Tyler initiated a traffic stop and when he asked the suspect to exit his vehicle the suspect fled in his vehicle and a pursuit then ensued. The pursuit ended when the suspect crashed. The suspect fled on foot and was later apprehended. He was charged with Robbery and Resisting Law Enforcement. It was also later learned that the suspect was wanted on outstanding Federal warrants.

For the Officer of the Fourth Quarter award, Cpl. Tyler was recognized for his keen observation of suspicious activity which ultimately lead to the apprehension of two subjects that had broken into the Main Junior High Apartment building. After a complete investigation it was learned that both suspects were responsible for earlier crimes reported at this location.

Emergency .....911  
Front Desk ..... 574-258-1678  
Investigative Division ..... 574-258-1684  
Records Division ..... 574-258-1681

Chief .....574-258-1683  
Uniform Division .....574-258-1688  
Traffic Division .....574-259-2966  
Fax .....574-258-1690

These incidents are just two examples of the commitment and dedication Cpl. Tyler has put forth throughout the past year. Cpl. Tyler performs his duties in an exemplary fashion and can always be found diligently patrolling his assigned area. He does not hesitate to go that extra mile in locating a suspect or solving a crime. Cpl. Tyler has great vision with recognizing suspicious criminal activity and a knack of knowing what is about to happen next, preparing him for the unexpected. He is a vital member of the Midnight Shift and the MPD as a whole. I appreciate his dependability and excellent work ethics that he displays on a day to day basis. We are fortunate and proud that he is a part of the Mishawaka Police force.

Please join me in congratulating Cpl. Jeremy Tyler for being named Officer of the Year for 2012.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth L. Witkowski". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized "K" and "W".

Kenneth L. Witkowski  
Chief of Police

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